

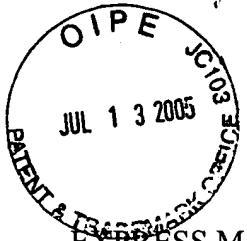
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TRANSMITTAL FOR REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

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## A. Instructions and Averments

Enter the Amendment under 37 CFR § 1.116, previously filed.

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- This application is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

B. Enclosed

- An Amendment "B" and Response for entry in the present application.
- To render this RCE timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for 0-Month Extension of Time.
- A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date for the enclosed application by use of Express Mail Label No. EV 607585334 US.
- A Request for Nonpublication of Application.
- An Associate Power of Attorney.

C. Payments

- Form PTO-2038 submitting payment in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees:
  - the \$790.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e); and
    - the \$0 petition fee for the 0-month extension of time.
  - Please debit Deposit Account No. 23-3178 in the amount of \$0 for the government filing fee.
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  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.

— The issue fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.311(b).

X A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

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